

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An Examiner's Amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR § 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this Examiner's Amendment was given in a telephone interview with Ms. Verrecchio on August 12, 2008.

Amendment to Claims

The application has been amended as shown below, with new claim 118 being added.

1. (Currently Amended) A glycopeptide of the formula $A_1-A_2-A_3-A_4-A_5-A_6-A_7$, [SEQ ID NO: 1] wherein the groups A_1 to A_7 comprise the heptapeptide structure of naturally occurring vancomycin;

and wherein the group A_4 is linked via a glycosidic bond to a disaccharide having a glucose residue directly attached to said A_4 residue, wherein said glucose residue bears an N-substituted aminohexose residue selected from the group consisting of allyloxycarbonyl, N-decyl, and N-4-(4-chlorophenyl)benzyl and a substituent of the formula YXR, attached to the C-6 position of said glucose;

wherein the group Y is a single bond, the group X is O, NR_1 , S, SO_2 , $C(O)O$, $C(O)S$, $C(S)O$, $C(S)S$, $C(NR_1)O$, $C(O)NR_1$, or halo (in which case Y and R are absent); and R and R_1 are independently hydrogen, alkyl, aryl, aralkyl, alkanoyl, aroyl, aralkanoyl, heterocyclic, heterocyclic-carbonyl, heterocyclic-alkyl, heterocyclic-alkyl-carbonyl, alkylsulfonyl or arylsulfonyl; and any pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof; provided that ~~at least one of said substituent of the formula YXR is not hydroxyl; and if two or more of said substituents are present, they can be the same or different.~~

5. (Currently Amended) The glycopeptide of claim 1 ~~in which at least one of said substituent is YXR~~ wherein Y is a single bond and X is O, NR_1 , S or SO_2 .

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26. (Currently Amended) The glycopeptide of claim 5 in which the N-substituted aminohexose residue is allyloxycarbonyl ~~bears at least one of said substituent.~~

27. (Currently Amended) The glycopeptide of claim 6 in which the N-substituted aminohexose residue is N-decyl ~~bears at least one of said substituent.~~

118. (New) The glycopeptide of claim 5 in which said N-substituted aminohexose residue is N-4-(4-chlorophenyl)benzyl.

Claims 102, 103, 105-107 and 116, are now cancelled.

Conclusions

Claims 1, 5, 6, 26, 27 and 118 are allowable.

If Applicants should amend the claims, a complete and responsive reply will clearly identify where support can be found in the disclosure for each amendment. Applicants should point to the page and line numbers of the application corresponding to each amendment, and provide any statements that might help to identify support for the claimed invention (*e.g.*, if the amendment is not supported *in ipso verbis*, clarification on the record may be helpful). Should Applicants present new claims, Applicants should clearly identify where support can be found in the disclosure.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the Examiner should be directed to Jeff Lundgren whose telephone number is 571-272-5541. The Examiner can normally be reached from 7:00 AM to 5:30 PM.

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